

# The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Thursday, March 31, 1726.

*The rest of Wye's Letter, March 24.*

**W**E have to add to the Debates, mentioned in our last, upon the Bill for preventing vexatious Arrests, these Particulars, viz. Mr. Carey argued against clogging the Bill with too much Amendment of it at once; and compared what was to be done in it to a Bundle of Faggots, which if taken out Stick by Stick, may be broke; but to break the whole at once, was impossible. Mr. Hungerford, who argued on the same Side, said the Evil of it should be cured by Degrees, some in this Bill, and more in the Bankrupts Bill, which is near expired; adding, That he hoped this Bill would rid People of the Oppression of the villainous Part of the Bailiffs and other Officers.

Yesterday the Commons after some Debate ordered a Bill to be brought in to vest in Trustees, the real and Personal Estates of Richard Hampden Esq; for making Provision for his Wife and Family, and for better securing the Debt due from him to the Crown, which is near 80,000 L. In the Debate Peir Williams Esq; was for having that Part of his Estate which is not incumbered to be sold for the Use of the Publick: The Master of the Rolls was for having the Writings laid before the House to be better satisfied as to the Incumberances. Sir William Young was for having his Estate settled in Trustees as aforementioned, and Mr. Hungerford was for knowing how he lost the Money, to which it was answered, that it was known he lost as much Stock as he lost 17,000 by.

By a Mail from France just arrived, we are advised from Paris, That two Flying Camps were to be formed, one in Alsace, and the other in Campaign; That the King will go to see the latter, &c. The Officers who are to Command the Militia in the Provinces are appointed according to their Rank.

The Lord Shannon is arrived here from Ireland, and Sir William Wyndham and Tracy at the Bath.

We hear that one of the most noted Dissenting Teachers in Kent is come over to the Church of England, and that he would be made Curate of the Church at Maidstone.

The Lady Viscountess Townshend, whom we mentioned in our last to be fallen ill of the Small Pox, is 4 Months gone with Child. Her Ladyship is attended by Sir Hans Sloan.

On the 7th Instant the Town of Lyn in Norfolk was laid under Water by a violent Spring-Tide.

The Trial of an old Man of above 60 at Northampton Assizes, for a Rape on a Girl of 10, lasted 4 Hours, wherein several Physicians and Midwives were examined as to Parts affected, who differing in Opinions, some affirming she had, others she had not received Violence, he was acquitted of the Rape, and found guilty of an Assault, for which he was fined 30 Marks, 2 Months Imprisonment, &c.

*From the Evening Post, March 24.*

*Copenhagen, March 19.* The K. of Denmark has given Assurances to the Court of Sweden, that the great Armaments he is making are with no other View than to secure his Dominions, and therefore ought not to give them any Umbrage.

*Madrid, March 11.* We have an Account from Cadix on the 5th Instant, that they had Advice there that the Capitana, one of the biggest Ships of the Flota, which sailed last Year from thence for Vera Cruz, was blown up in the Passage, and that of 800 Men on board her, only 300 were saved, that (if this Advice be confirmed) this is the 5th principal Ship which have perished within these two Years; and that of those which are left, the two Men of War built last Year in Biscay, and now at Cadix are the chief, which are fitting out to carry the Quick Silver to the West Indies this Year.

*Conclusion of the Answer of the States to the Marquis de St. Philippe's Memorial.*

That their H. Mightinesses have examined attentively the Propositions and Offers contained in the Memorial, consisting of these two Points; 1, That his Cath. Majesty offers to see Reparation made for the Damage and Prejudice which the Subjects of this State may pretend to suffer from Treaties formerly made by Spain: And in the 2d place, That his Cath. Majesty offers to interpose with his Imp. Majesty, for accommodating the Differences amicably.

That they cannot help observing on this Occasion,

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that very great Hopes were given their H. Mightinesses, to engage their Expectation, that when the M. de St. Philippe should arrive here, he would make them most advantageous Propositions, with which, in all Likelihood, they would rest satisfied.

That for this Reason, they cannot but take notice with Surprise, That what is contained in the Memorial amounts only to the proposing of a Negotiation, and even the transferring of that Negotiation to Madrid; and that it is demanded besides by the Memorial, That the Propositions be made on the part of their H. Mightinesses, that is to say, that by a Letter, or by their Ambassador, they should represent anew to his Majesty the Reasons of their Discontent: But they do not find in the said Memorial any specific or positive Proposition, much less advantageous Propositions; so that at present their H. Mightinesses, after the Arrival of the M. de St. Philippe, are as little advanced, and as uncertain as before.

That for what relates to the above two Propositions themselves, tending in the first place to the repairing of the Prejudice suffered by the Subjects of this State by former Treaties, their H. Mightinesses do not clearly comprehend the Sense of this Proposition; if by it be understood the redressing of several Grievances, of which their H. Mightinesses have from time to time complained, namely, That their Subjects have, on many Occasions, met with Treatment contrary to the Tenor of the Treaties between his Majesty and their H. Mightinesses; it would be very agreeable to them, to see his Majesty condescend to give equitable Satisfaction thereon, conformable to Treaties: But if, by the Prejudice done by former Treaties, he meant what has been regulated by Treaties between his Majesty and other Powers, their H. Mightinesses do not pretend to any Alteration; only, as the Treaties between his Majesty and the Republic specify, That the Republic and its Subjects be treated as favourably as any other Nation, (*tanquam Gens amicissima*) they think they have thereby acquired the Right of demanding all the Advantages granted to any Nation whatsoever, not having renounced the same. That their H. Mightinesses do not demand any Innovation, but only the Execution and Observation of what is stipulated and promised by the Treaties which subsist between his Majesty and the Republic, and that the Contraventions committed, be redressed; among which Contraventions, their H. Mightinesses cannot but reckon particularly, what is granted by the Treaty of Commerce of Vienna in favour of the Austrian Netherlands, as was set forth by the Me-

morial of the 4th of November last Year, presented to his Majesty by M. Vander-Meer, their H. Mightinesses Ambassador, to which they are yet expecting a satisfactory Answer. And for what concerns the 2d Part of the said Proposition, namely the Interposition of his Majesty with his Imp. Majesty, for attaining an amicable Accommodation of the Differences; their H. Mightinesses having explain'd themselves upon it, hardly think it necessary to repeat, That they will consider it as a very great Service his Majesty will do the Republic, if his Majesty has the Goodness to prevail with his Imp. Majesty that the Commerce of the Austrian Netherlands to the Indies may cease, whereby the Inconveniencies and Difficulties resulting from it may be removed; and they'll deem this Service one of the greatest Proofs of Friendship his Majesty can give them, which, without Doubt, will contribute as much as any other Thing to the Preservation of the public Quiet.

That as to what is mentioned in the Memorial, touching the Treaty of Hanover, and the Accession of their H. Mightinesses to that Treaty, they observe with Pleasure, that his Majesty is no less persuaded than their H. Mightinesses are, of the said Treaties having no other View than the Peace of Europe; and that it is not to be believed the Princes who concluded it, would disturb that Peace. That it is no less agreeable to them to learn, That his Majesty does them the Justice to believe, That in their Deliberations on the said Treaty, and on their Accession, they are not led by any Animosity, but that they proceed therein solely from Motives of Precaution. That they cannot yet say what will be the Issue of their Deliberations, with Respect to the said Accession; but since according to his Majesty's own Perswasion, as well as that of their H. Mightinesses, the said Treaty of Hanover has no other View than the Preservation of the Peace of Europe; and that the Accession of their H. Mightinesses, in case they should come to resolve upon it, cannot be considered any otherwise, than as a just and reasonable Precaution; therefore their H. Mightinesses cannot well comprehend, why it should be earnestly required of them to suspend yet longer their Resolution with Regard thereto, nor why their Accession should render an Accommodation between his Imperial Majesty and the Republic yet more difficult. That whatever may be the Issue of their Deliberations touching the said Accession, they declare once more, That they will always be free and ready to hear the Propositions which his said Majesty is willing to make to them; but

but they wish these Propositions may contain something real and positive, whereon they may deliberate with some Ground; whereas by the said Memorial, nothing is proposed but a Negotiation in such general Terms, that no good Success can well be hoped from it, notwithstanding all the advantageous Ideas with which their H. Mightinesses might flatter themselves, and all the good they might promise themselves from the Friendship of his said Majesty, as well as from the Ability of the Duke de Ripperda, and his Love for the Republick.

*From the Evening Post, March 26.*

*This Day we had two Mails from Flanders.*

*Madrid, March 14.* The Governour of Alicant being informed, That the King was much defrauded in the Customs, seized and sealed up the Books of Merchants of all Nations, without Exception, which being contrary to Treaties, the English and Dutch Ambassadors complained to the Court about it, whereupon Orders were immediately dispatched to the Governour to restore the Books again, and to be very cautious for the future, not to do any Thing that may look like an Infraction of Treaties. On the 8th Instant the Ambassador of Great Britain received an Express from his Court, with Instructions concerning Gibraltar, and dispatched him back again this Day for Holland.

*Warsaw, March 20.* As the Inhabitants of the open Country were very busy in removing their best Effects to safe Places, for fear of a Rupture with the Protestants; a Manifesto has been published, by which a Stop is put to it under severe Penalties. Soon after Easter, Circular Letters will be sent to the Senators, for summoning them to repair to Grodno within a Month, when the opening of the Diet is to be made.

*Vienna, March 16.* The British Minister being lately at an Assembly, had some Words with another Minister about the Chevalier de St. George, and pretended to have some very important Letters in his Pocket relating to him.

*From Wye's Letter, March 26.*

A certain Person well known in this Kingdom, is with others now at Madrid, using their utmost Solicitations to induce the King of Spain and his Allies to a Rupture with Great Britain, and espouse the Interest of the Pretender; but however they may flatter themselves with the Prospect of new Commotions, they'll no Doubt see themselves disappointed, there being nothing wanting as may enable his Majesty to baffle the Designs of his Enemies.

'Tis said that 10 Men of War more will be put in Commission next Week for a secret Expedition.

## ADVERTISEMENT S.

*Fishery Office, 29th March, 1726.*

The Managers of the Copartnery are to expose to publick Sale, upon Tuesday the 5th of April next, at their Office, at 3 after Noon, at the following low Rates for the Encouragement of Bidders, viz.

1 Lot, containing 8 Lasts and 3 4ths of dres'd Herring-Barrels, at 14 sh. sterl. per Last.

5 Lots, containing 50 Lasts undres'd ditto, at 10 sh. per Last.

1 Lot, containing 7 C. 1 q. 23 l. Coils and Pieces of new Ropes, at 25 sh. per Hundred.

1 Lot, containing 21 Hundred-weight Rope-yarn, at 22 sh. per Hundred.

A Parcel of Buie-strops, weighing to be entred at 6 Shillings per Hundred-weight.

4 New Herring Nets, at 3 l. 10 sh. sterl. each Net.

5 Lots, containing 80 dres'd Nets, at 40 sh. sterl. each Net.

8 Lots, containing 110 undres'd ditto, at 15 sh. each Net.

Utensils for a Twine-work per Inventory, to be set up at 1. 9. 17. 8. sterl.

Ditto for a Rope Band, per ditto, to be set up at 1. 17. 10. sh. sterl.

Ditto for a Barking-house, per ditto, to be set up at 1. 14. 16 sh. 4 d. sterl.

The above Goods will be shown at Leith by David Daes, the Copartnery's Agent; and the Inventories and Articles of Roup, at their Office in the Lawn-market.

Also there will be exposed to Sale at the said Office, upon Thursday the 12th of April next, at the same Hour, 88 Lasts 1 3d of Herring-barrels, lying at Peterhead, in one Lot, at 14 sh. sterl. per Last; and the Copartnery's hail Farms of Peterhead for Crompt 1725, consisting of 180 Bolls Oat Meal, 170 Bolls Bear, 20 Bolls of each Kind, less or more, which will be set up at 1. 4. 13. 4 Scots per Boll, over-head, and delivered at Peterhead by the usual Measure.

Notice is also hereby given, That the Certificates of the Shares of the Adventurers in the Copartnery, ordered by the last General Meeting to be issued betwixt and the first of April, are so far prepared, that all those who subscribed for themselves, are desir'd to call for their Certificates at the Copartnery's Office in the Lawn-market, every Tuesday from 10 to 12 in the Forenoon, and Thursday from 2 till 5 in the Afternoon.

N. B. Notice will be given in this Paper when the other Classes are to call for theirs.

44 That, by Warrant of the Managers of the Creditors of GEORGE FRAZER Brewer, there will be exposed to Sale, by way of voluntar Roup, in the Laigh Coffee-house, TOMORROW being the first Day of April, between the Hours of 2 & 4 after Noon, the Feu belonging to the said George Frazer near the Gibbet; consisting of a Brewery, Brewing-looms, Yard and Inclosure, Houses and other Conveniences, all inclosed with Dyke and Hedge; being about 5 Acres of Ground or thereby, and paying an easy Feu-duty. The Rental, Progress and Conditions of Roup, to be seen in the Hands of ROBERT SCOT Writer in Edinburgh, who is infest therein for the Behoof of the Creditors, and



is to be found at Sir John Dalrymple Clerk his Office, over against the Luckenbooths.

¶ To be sold, by way of publick Roup, in the House of Samuel Maclellan Vintner in Dalkeith, on Thursday the 7th Day of April next, betwixt the Hours of 10 & 12 Forenoon, a Tenement of Land consisting of 3 Floors, 7 Fire-rooms in the two first Floors; together with a Fruit-garden, Brew-house and Well, as also Stable and Hay-loft, with other proper Office-houses, all in good Condition, lying on the South-side of the Pease-market of Dalkeith. The Progress of Writs and Conditions of Sale, are to be seen in the Hands of James Armour, Writer to the Signer, at his Writing-chamber in Edinburgh.

¶ That the Parks of SOUTHSIDE, in the Parish of Newbottle, are to be set for Hay or Grass. If any hath a mind to be informed about the Rent, Cornet Charles Jones in Westhouses of Newbottle will satisfy them.

¶ That there is a Piece of SILVER PLATE, of the ordinary Value, to be run for at Cowpar of Fife, upon the Second Tuesday of April next, by any Horse, Mare or Gelding; each of them to carry 8 Stone Trois Weight, allowing the Saddle, Bridle and Whip, to be a Part of the Weight, and that upon the usual Ground. The Horses to run for this Plate, must be at Cowpar, and entered in the Sheriff-Clerk's Books of Fife eight Days before the Day of Running, and the Colour, Name, Rider, and Owner of the Horse, to be recorded in the saids Books, and each Horse or Mare to pay a Guinea of Inputs at Booking, to be consigned in the Sheriff Clerk's Hands, which Inputs are to be applied to Payment of a Piece of Silver Plate to the Value of five Pounds Sterl to be run for on the Wednesday after. The other Articles of the Race, are to be seen in the Sheriff Clerk's Hands.

¶ To be sold, by way of public Roup or Auction, at the Burgh of Perth, in the great House belonging to the Town, upon Wednesday the 20th of April next, the whole Materials and Utensils of the Linen Manufactory lately belonging to the deceased Provost Austin, and last to Patrick Douglas deceased; consisting of 12 Weavers Looms furnished, &c. two great Coppers, and other Materials for Bleaching or Whitening of Linen Cloth, and a large Calendar-Mill. The ordinary Rules of Rouping to be observed. The Goods are to be shewn by Thomas Vallange, present Deacon of the Weavers at Perth.

¶ That the Town and Lands of DALMARNOCK, with the Oak-Wood and Fishings belonging thereto, lying on the Side of the River of Tay, within two Miles of Dunkeld; are to be exposed to voluntary Sale on Thursday the Nineteenth Day of May next, at the Sheriff-Clerk's Office in Perth, betwixt the Hours of 2 & 4 after Noon. The Lands hold Feu of the Crown for a small Feu-duty, and pay of yearly free Rent to the Master, after Deduction of Ministers Stipends, Schoolmasters Salaries, and all other public Burdens, the Sum of Three hundred and eleven Pounds, seventeen Shilling, four Penies, Scots Money. And beside the foresaid yearly Rent, the Tenants constantly and regularly pay one full Years Rent of Grassum, at the Expiration of every seven Years. The Conditions of the Sale, and Progress of the Writs are to be seen in the Hands of the Sheriff Clerk of Perth, and John MacEuen Writer in Dunkeld.

N. B. That there is a very convenient Dwelling House and Gardens, situate to the Estate; and that the Oak Woods and other Woods belonging to the said Lands, are not considered in the foresaid Rental, and therefore are to be sold jointly with the Lands, or seperately by themselves, conform to the Conditions of the Sale. Nota also, That the Salmond Fishings on the Water of Tav, being usually in the Master's Possession, make up no Part of the foresaid Rental, but the Value will be considered in the Conditions of the Sale.

¶ That there is a COUNTRY HOUSE at Dam-head, a large Mile Westward of Edinburgh, in the West Kirk Parish; consisting of a large Kitchen, 3 Fire-rooms, 2 Closets, a Cellar and Stable, a large Garden, and Grass for one Cow: To be sett, and the Entry to be at present, or when they please. Enquire at William Lizars at the Head of Halkerston's Wynd.

Excise Office, Edinb. March 5, 1726.

By Order of the COMMISSIONERS of Excise.

Whereas by an Act of Parliament made in the 8th Year of Her late Majesty Queen ANNE, all Persons whatsoever making CANDLES for Sale, or not for Sale, are obliged to give Notice in Writing, at the next Excise Office, of the Places, &c. where they make such Candles, (unless they compound for the Duty thereof) to the end that the proper Officers may take an Account of the Candles by them so made, under the Penalty of Fifty Pounds sterling. Also by an Act made in the 10th Year of Her said late Majesty, all Persons who shall Print, Paint, Stain, or Dye any SILKS, CALLICOES, LINEN, or STUFFS, (other than such as shall be dyed throughout of one Colour only, or whereof the greatest Part, in Value, shall be Woollen) are obliged to give Notice in Writing, at the next Office for the same Duties, of their respective Names and Places of Abode, and of the Place or Places where they print, paint, stain or dye, &c. under the Penalty of Thirty Pounds sterling.

And by an Act made in the 10th Year of His present Majesty's Reign, no Person whatsoever is to roast any COFFEE-BERRIES, at any Place or Town, but such only as are publicly appointed for that Purpose by the COMMISSIONERS of Excise, under the Penalty of Forfeiture of all such Coffee-berries, and Five Shillings for every Pounds weight.

Now the COMMISSIONERS being informed, That many Persons not only have made, but continue to make Candles, without giving such Notice as aforesaid, to the great Detriment of the fair Trader, who pays Duty for the same; as also, That many Persons continue to print, paint, stamp or dye Silks, Calicoes, Linens, &c. without giving due Notice as aforesaid, and to roast Coffee-berries, contrary to Law: This is to give Notice to all Persons concerned, That unless they forthwith yield Obedience to the Laws in these Matters, they will (whenever discovered) be prosecuted in the strictest Manner the Law admits of.

Nota. The only Person appointed in North-Britain for roasting of Coffee, is James Muirhead, Coffee-house Keeper in Edinburgh.

Signed by Order of the saids COMMISSIONERS,  
RICH. DODSWELL, Secretary.